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Original Poetry.

INGRATITUDE.

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——————What is Ingratitude?
It is a monster—an incarnate fiend
Of Pride begotten, sired by Cruelty.
It is a derogate, unnatural hybrid,
Spawned by the waves of some oblivious sea
Upon its stagnant marsh, as e'en too vile
For an inhabitant of Lethe's stream,
Or black Cocytus' death-engend'ring pools.
It is a hideous demi-devil, warped,
Distorted and strained into a mortal spleen:
A *Lusus*, hatched by some such incubation
As brings to life the slimy crocodile,
And loathsome reptiles of the coldest blood.
It is a demon, heartless and malignant;
A Gorgon sprung from the incestuous loins
Of that dark, sub-infernal Deity
Which froze, like winter, Dante's giant heart,
Struck dumb the spirit of his imagination,
And paralyzed the lofty eloquence
That flowed from the immortal poet's pen.
It is a viper venomous to the death:
An adder warmed and coiled, and ever crested,
Ready to strike: it's sharpen'd fangs thrust forth,
Teeming with that insidious distillation
More virulent than the golden-tinted drop
That lurks beneath the Cobra's forked tongue,
Or points the sting of the Egyptian Asp.
O! what a cruel, mercenary fiend
Is base ingratitude! how his cloven tongue
Drops hate when love alone should be dispensed,
And on his gen'rous benefactor's head,
Instead of blessings, bitter curses pours.
His countenance is bleak as January,
No human language trembles on his lips,
Or shines from out his cold and rayless eyes;
His blood is iced, and sluggish as the streams
Helvetia's Alpine summits choke with snow,
And from the sepulchre of his dead heart
Spring never those divine Affections
Which sanctify, adorn and bless humanity.

Oh! I have seen this reptile, shunned by all,
And flung upon the highway of the world
To perish in cold charity's mid-winter,
Crushed by the heel of every traveller,
Abandoned and deserted by his kind
Save only *one*. Samaritan-like, he took
The chilled, attenuated outcast up,
And bore him in his arms, and close within
The hallowed precincts of his noble heart
He wrapped the dying victim, clothed and fed;
And when the gen'rous warmth of that retreat
(As feathery matrons brood their nestlings o'er)
Vitality and life imparted to the guest,
The serpent reared its hideous, deformed head,
And stung its benefactor to the heart.

How often has this fiend, Ingratitude,
Nursed and caressed by tender parent's hands,
Blessed by a loving father's manly prayers
All perfumed by a sainted mother's tears,
Stalked forth in all its hideous deformity,
Casting its venom on the ancestral hearth,
And, Haman-like, dishonoring home,
Name, parentage, and all humanity;
And with that cold, relentless cruelty
Which never listens to sweet Mercy's voice,
Stamp on a parent's heart with brazen heel,
And with iron pen the bitter words—
"How sharper than a serpent's tooth it is,
To have a thankless child."

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Popular Tales.

MRS. WAYNE'S FOOTMAN.

"Yes, mother, I grant all you say readily enough; Miss Wayne is beautiful, agreeable and accomplished. She sings superbly, snd plays with taste and skill. And she wears her dry goods with infinite grace, and has a class in Sabbath school, and always favors the contribution plate with a greenback, but still I am not so sure of her heart. And mother, if I marry I want a woman whom I can respect and love."

Seymour Lyle threw himself down on an ottoman at his mother's feet, and engaged himself diligently in a business in which men generally excel, in tangling the silks and worsteds in the workbasket he had taken from the ottoman to his knee.

Mrs. Lyle lifted her silken morning robe a little out of her son's way for she was one of those immaculate ladies who cannot bear to have their robes crushed or tumbled, and let her handsome dark eyes rest a moment on his face.

She smiled pleasantly, as if pleased with the picture. She had reason to be. Seymour was her only child—twenty-four, handsome, noble and honorable. He had just entered upon the practice of law in his native city, and bade fair to distinguish himself in the profession he had chosen.

"Well, mother?" he said questioningly, smiling up into the still youthful face of his only remaining relative.

"Seymour, I am sorry you are so suspicious. Do you know that it is a point of law always to consider a person innocent and pure until proven otherwise? A lawyer should be law abiding, my son."

"Perhaps this business makes me suspicious. I do not think I am by nature. But in this case I am, to a certain extent. However lightly I may sometimes speak of it, I look upon marriage as a solemn thing. A compact too holy to be entered upon without some thought. It is an obligation one cannot put off at will like a distasteful garment, and if I marry I want to marry a woman with whom I can be happy. Annette Wayne is lovely and charming, and all that, but—"

"Well, Seymour?"

"I cannot take her on trust, even supposing she is ready to accept me. I desire to prove her, and I shall do so. I am going to live in the same house with her, and in such a capacity that I can read her character as I never could if I met her on equal ground."

"What wild plot now, Seymour? I trust you will remember you have a proud old family name to keep up."

"Never fear, mother mine. The dead and gone Seymours shall not blush in their graves at anything I may do—God helping me. Mrs. Wayne has advertised for a footman and I am about to apply for the place."

"You! Seymour Lyle! Are you mad?"

"I think not mother, dear. If I am, there is method in my madness. I am going up to my room to prepare for my advent in servantdom and when I am dressed I will call on you."

A half hour later, Mrs. Lyle was surprised by the entrance of a strange man into her sitting-room, and the genuine scream she uttered at his appearance, was good evidence of his disguise, to Seymour's mind.

His dark locks were covered with a coarse red wig, his clear complexion had been skillfully painted until it was freckled as a turkey's egg, and the faded suit he wore indicated a long credit at his tailor's.

"Well, mother, how do you like me?" asked Seymour.

"Like you? You are hideous! No danger of any one's penetrating that disguise. Try and behave properly though, if Mrs. Wayne does engage you."

"I am all propriety. Good bye mother, for a day or two. I would kiss you, but it would be imprudent for a footman to take such liberties.

Mrs. Wayne was pleased with the applicant, who called himself John Steele, and after a few questions as to his capabilty—the answering of which put John in a cold perspiration—he was duly installed as footman in her establishment. One of his duties was to tend the front door and see after the fires; and in these capacities he obtained frequent glimpses of Miss Annette.

The second night of his engagement at the Wayne mansion, there was a grand ball at the house of some one of the fashionables, and Miss Wayne attended. John was to keep fire for her in the dressing-room, and admit her when she came home. Mrs. Wayne read a novel and dozed in an arm chair.

John began to think a footman's life anything but easy, when one o'clock struck, and still no Miss Annette. Just before two she rang. John hastened to let her in, and in shutting the door managed to set his foot on the trailing skirt of her dress.

Her face flushed in anger, and she snatched her robes around her with anything but the lady-like grace Seymour Lyle had always so much admired in her.

"You awkward clown!" she exclaimed sharply. "Learn to keep off a lady's dress or I will have you discharged!"

"Beg pardon mem," said John, politely pulling his red foretop, "but it ain't every poor fellow as has been brought up in the school of politeness, and learned what to do with his hands and feet."

"Who asked you to reply?" she retorted, contemptuously,

"Nobody, mem."

Mrs. Wayne met her on the stairs.

"Mother, that new footman of yours is an idiot! And he looks enough to give me the horrors. Heaven! what a chill evening it has been! Mr. Lyle was not there, and I made myself as hideous as white and simplicity for nothing. No other person has any appreciation for that style. When we are married, though, I will teach him that diamonds are more to my taste than white roses."

"I dare say," muttered John between his teeth. "I dare say you'd have no objection to begin the lesson at once.

All the next day Miss Annette was cross and out of sorts. On poor John her wrath especially descended. He could do nothing to suit her and more than one sharp reprimand he listened to, delivered in that voice he had once thought so soft and sweet as being incapable of being to the high key, which, after all seemed most natural to it.

Annette gave John orders not to admit any one; she was not at home; and she passed the day curled up on the sofa in the back parlor, with an old novel, and taking her ease in a soiled wrapper, and stockings none too fresh from the laundry.

Just before dark there was a timid ring at the door. John opened it, and saw a little shivering figure on the broad steps. A pair of brown eyes looked up whistfully in his face, and a musical voice asked—

"Is Miss Annette at home?"

Looking into the brown eyes, and noticing the soft color which came and went so charmingly on the pearly cheek, John forgot that he had orders to deny his young mistress to any callers, and said quite in his naturnl voice—

"Yes, she is. Will you walk in?"

The girl stepped into the hall, and he saw that she was thinly dressed, and that she carried a bundle. He ushered her into the back parlor at once, where Annette having renounced her sofa, was ensconced in an arm-chair, with her feet on the fender.

She looked up and frowned at the intrusion.

"John! you stupid blockhead! I told you I was not at home to-day!"

"Beg pardon, mem; I forgot," said John, nervously.

"Well, it's one of my working people, so it's of no particular consequence. Miss Ainslee, have you brought me the cape? John, put some coal on the fire. It's cold as Greenland here. Let us see how you have done it, Mary."

The girl unrolled her bundle, and displayed a pink Thibet opera cape, embroidered in white so exquisitely that John forgot himself again, and stood gazing at it in profound admiration.

"Dont stand there gazing John!" said Annette, sharply. "Put on some coal!" Then to Miss Ainslee, "It is really very well executed, and I will give you something more of the same sort to do before long. You can go now, for it's nearly dark, and you'll be afraid if you stop longer."

Miss Ainslee rose, and hesitated on her way to the door.

"If you would pay me for the work to-day," she said in a troubled voice, "my rent is due, and my little sister is ill."—

"O, dont trouble yourself to proceed," said Annette, coarsely, "I know the whole. There is always a sick mother or sister. I can't pay you to-day—It's eight dollars, I believe—and I have only twenty by me, and that I want to use to-morrow. Call around next week, and I will pay you."

"Indeed, Miss Wayne," said the girl, in a choked voice, "I am suffering for it or I would not ask you."

"Don't trouble me, my good girl I have a headache to-day, and need rest and quiet. I will pay you next week. John show her out.

A bright scarlet rose to Miss Ainslee's cheeks as she followed the tall footman to the door, and John was sure he saw tears in the brown eyes. She hurried down the icy street, but before she had gone a dozen rods, Mrs. Wayne's footman had overtaken her.

"Here is something for you, Miss," he said hastily, and thrust a ten-dollar note into her hand.

"O, Miss Wayne sent it, did she?" she exclaimed joyfully. "I am so glad. And you were so good to bring it."

"Thank you, mem," said John, blushing and not knowing what to say, but feeling some way strangely well pleased with himself.

"Dear little thing said he to himself. "I wish I had given her fifty instead of ten, but then she would have suspected it did not come from Miss Wayne. How pretty she is. I rather think I'd like to be her footman. I'll make her acquaintance some way. It's fortunate for me that she dropped her card in the hall as she went out; let me see," and he drew out a bit of paste board and studied the delicate chirography by the light of the street lamp—"Miss Mariette Ainslee, No. 8 B street. She must be dreadfully poor, for B street is a wretched place. But I'll make an errand there."

The next day John knocked at the door of No. 8 B street. Miss Ainslee answered the summons, and invited him to enter.

It was a meagre little room into which she ushered him but for all that it was neat and cheerful. A geranium was blooming on the sill, and on a table by the side of a bed, there was a red rose bush covered with blossoms. On the bed lay a golden haired child of five or six years, her face wasted by disease, and one transparent little hand resting on the quiet head of a little white kitten.

Poor John was terribly embarrassed, but Miss Ainslee kindly helped him to an explanation of his errand.

"You come from Miss Wayne, I suppose?"

"Yes, mem," said John, "that is to say no mem! I come for myself," and he came to a dead stop.

Mary was looking at him curiously, so he plunged into the matter at random.

"You see I thought, that is I decided, I should like an opera cape myself like Miss Wayne's you know."

The girl laughed, but checked herself at the sight of her visitor's distressed face.

"For a friend I suppose?"

John caught eagerly at the suggestion.

"Yes, yes, for a friend. Yes, you are correct. Can you do it for me?"

What color would you perfer?"

"O any color," said John; "it don't matter—that is, it is immaterial. How would a green one look?"

"I should hardly fancy that color," replied Mary.

"Well, well, I leave it all to your good taste. It is for an elderly lady, and there is money to purchase the material, and you need not hurry about the work. Any time will do.

"Miss Ainslee picked up the hundred dollar note laid down, and regarded him in silent surprise.

"'I am not insane," he said laughingly, "only a little eccentric—"

"But here is much more than enough money—"

"O, never mind about that! we will settle that when the work is done. And I shall want to call now and then to see how you get along with it."

And John bowed himself out.

The next day he gave Mrs. Wayne notice that he must leave her; the work didn't agree with his digestion, was the reason he gave.

He was satisfied as regarded Annette, and Mrs. Lyle was forced to give up her long cheerished plan of seeing her son the husband of the gay and beautiful belle.

Seymour Lyle was in his office every day until six o'clock, and after that hour no one knew anything of his whereabouts. But, John, Mrs. Wayne's quondam footman, was at No. 8 B street almost every evening.

He was so interested in the progress of that cape that he could not let a day pass without giving its inspection his personal attention and he contrived to make himself so agreeable to Miss Ainslee that she looked for the coming of the shabby blue coat and the red hair under that seedy hat, as one looks for a ray of sunshine in a cloudy day.

Little Nellie, the sick child, was never so free from pain, as she was when John's strong arms held her, and she listened to the stories he told her, and the songs he sung her, as she listened to nothing else on earth.

Poor little thing her life of suffering grew feebler every day, and one morning while alone with her sister, she put her two hands together and cried out—

"Mamma, take me!"

"Mary caught her to her bosom, but she held only clay. The beautiful spirit had flown to her mother, who, perhaps even in Paradise, had been lonely without her darling.

Two days after the funeral of Nellie, John came to spend the evening with Mary. She confided in him fully now, she told him for the first time her simple history. Her father had been a distinguished physician, but through his many charties he left his children only poverty at his death. Mary had sewed and embroidered ever since, and taken care of Nellie. Now God had assumed care of her.

"And what will you do, now, Mary?" said John taking her hand.

"I shall go on in the old way—"

"No, you will not," he said earnestly, that is if I can prevent it. You know just how poor and humble and ill looking I am, but I love you darling, with all the strength of an honest heart; and thank God, it is an honest one! Do you think you could love me Mary?

"I do love you, John, she said softly.

"What, with my speckled face and my shock of red hair?"

"You have beautiful eyes, John, and your face just suits me.

"My own Mary?" He pressed her to his bosom and kissed her tenderly.

Then he put her away from him, got up and tore off the red wig. One vigorous application of his handkerchief left his face clear of all freckles and spots, and Seymour Lyle stood before her.

"You have deceived me!" She exclaimed. "John what means this?"

"I have been enjoying a little masquerade. Forgive me. I shall always regard it as the golden moment of my life when I made application for the situation as footman of Mrs. Wayne. Else, perhaps, I should never have known you my darling."

"But who are you? I do not understan—"

"I am Seymour Lyle. My good mother has been for some time arranging a marriage between myself and Miss Annette Wayne. And I, not being quite so sure that the young lady mentioned was the angel she seemed, disguised myself and obtained the situation of footman in her mother's house. I am satisfied with the result, and now when shall I have my wife?"

"Indeed, Mr. Lyle, everything is changed now. You are a man of wealth and position, and—"

"All the more reason why I should not wait," he exclaimed, taking her to his arms again; and we presume that his arguments were all convincing, for a month later there was a wedding at St. Haul's and Mary Ainslee was the bride.

And Miss Annette Wayne wondered where on earth Seymour Lyle managed to pick up the wretched little Miss Ainslee.

New Field for Immigrants.

Captain Plumacher, of the Swiss army, and commissioner of the Swiss Emigration Society, who has lately visited the South with a view to ascertaining its inducements for immigration, has lately forwarded a report to the society, as well as to the government of Switzerland, through the Swiss consulate at Washington. This document which has been lately published, sets forth intelligently the advantages over the West which the Southern, including the border States, present for European immigration. The writer says:

"Up to this time the tide of emigration set blindly towards the West, and even now the larger portion of it will seek the same destination; but I ask the man desirous to emigrate why will you go to the far West when fertile lands are much nearer? When Maryland. Virginia, North Carolina, Tennessee and Alabama offer inducements to emigrants which cannot be surpassed elsewhere; nay, more, scarcely equalled?

The writer proceeds to speak of the border States, and becomes enthusiastic upon the subject, comparing their "splendid climate" to that of Nothern Italy, and dwelling upon their fertile lands, noble forests, fine water-power, mineral wealth, mild winters and the great advantage of nearness to the principal Atlantic markets. He then combats objections to settlement in the South, which, apparenly, have been put in circulation by those who fear that the current of European immigration will be directed from the West to the Southern, Atlantic and Middle States. Among these are statements that emigrants would be treated like slaves, that lawlessness reigned supreme, &c. opinions said by Captain Plumacher to be largely entertained in Europe, and which, a short time ago, he himself held. Personal examination has disabused his mind, and now enables him to state the ready and cheerful spirit in which emigrants are received in the South, and the disposition to assign to them every privilege, political and social. He also vindicates the willingness of the Southern people to accept the issues of the day, and to direct their efforts to the commercial and industrial development of their section.

Such reports as this cannot but have some effect in drawing the attention of emigrants to the Southern States, whilst the South, on its part, may facilitate the movement by adopting the suggestions of the writer that the wealthy should make judicious advances to immigrants without means to obtain land and build dwellings; that landholders should parcel out their acres to those who are ready to cultivate them, and citizens contribute by receiving the stranger from abroad with kindness and encouragement.

Wit and Humor.

THE FASHIONS.

Eyes continue to be worn on each side of the nose and immediately under the brows. There has been some talk of substituting a single orb, of increased size and brilliancy, in the centre of the forehead; but after all our achievements, the world moves slowly, and the idea of a change in the number of eyes to be worn has not been favorably received; but the color is varied to suit the occasion, and just now the prevailing tint is green. Black, blue and gray are still worn in the home circle, and are found very becoming in the nursery, at the family tea table, and social evening gatherings.

Noses maintain their position in the centre of the face. They are not blown, now, as much as they were in winter, but it is thought that the fashion will return with the frost. The Grecian or aquiline is generally preferred, but the snubs have held their places on very pretty faces, in defiance of a most determined opposition, and at present writing are looking up.

Lips are midway between the nose and the chin, and are a pale pink. The coral variety is no longer tolerated except in girls not yet come out.

Teeth will be somewhat larger, and of blueish tint, to correspond with the complexion, which must be a dead white and magenta red.

Ears are worn one on each side of the head, with the hair all carried up so as to give them a peculiar appearance of alertness. There is some prospect of having them pointed, as the Grand Dutchess of D. has a pet rabbit which is very much admired in European court circles.

An Englishman, some years since, visited the tomb of Napoleon and wrote in the register a verse on the ex-Emperor to this effect:

Bony was a great man,
A soldier brave and true,
But Wellington did lick him at
The field of Waterloo.

An American, to punish the braggart, wrote immediately under it the following:

But greater still, and braver far,
And tougher than shoe-leather,
Was Washington, the man what could
Have licked 'em both together.

A man lost his wife, and some of his neighbors called in to offer him consolation, when he made his appearance all covered with dirt and water. "Why, Mr. Brown, what have you been doing?" said one. "Why you see," said he, "my wife dying so, made it a kind of broken day, so I thought I would clean out my well."

A Scotch barber, who was much given to dram drinking, was one day shaving a customer, who finding the fumes of the whiskey too much for him, in the middle of the job lost his patience and exclaimed: "That horrid drink!" The barber replied emphatically: "Ay, ay, sir, it does mak' the face awfu' tender."

A Berkshire paper says that a fellow in this vicinity went courting his girl on Monday evening, and wishing to be conversational, observed: "The thermometkron is twenty degrees below zelon this evening." "Yes," innocently replied the maiden, "such kind of birds do fly higher some seasons of the year than others."

A certain man lost his wife and had a stone erected over her grave. He married a second wife, and she died, when he had the tomb-stone split, and it thus served for the two departed. He proposed to a third, but the lady quaintly remarked: "I do not believe that stone will split again."

Punch says: "Women are said to have stronger attachments than men. It is evinced in little things. A man is often attached to an old hat; but did you ever know of a woman having an attachment for an old bonnet?"

"Boy, did you let off that gun?" exclaimed an enraged schoolmaster. "Yes, sir." "Well, what do you think I ought to do with you?" "Why, let me off."

"Steel your heart," said a considerate father to his son, for you are now going among some fascinating girls." "I had much rather steal theirs."

Artemus Ward said some men that do a great deal of bizziness in their line, I notice, do a great deal of lien in their bizziness.

A man may be said to have a vegetable countenance who is a "cabbage-head," and has *carroty* hair, *reddish* cheeks, and a *turn-up* nose.

Mrs. Finch says no man who chews tobacco can expect-'o-rate as a gentleman.

Domestic Magazines—wives who are always blowing up their husbands.

Some one calls the time of squeezing girls' hands, the palmy days of life.

An early spring—jumping out of bed at five o'clock, in the morning.

What roof covers the most noisy tenant? The roof of the mouth.

Agricultural Department.

Good and Bad Wines.—In the *Galaxy* Miscellaney, Professor Blot tells us plainly that we do not know good wine when we taste it, which, in truth, is but seldom. For "bogus wines are sold to Americans almost entirely." This is because our taste has been perverted that some of us absolutely prefer the bogus flavor to the natural, just as many Western people prefer chicory coffee to Mocha. And the American habit of gulping instead of sipping causes us to swallow liquor before tasting it. The Professor gives the following formula to tell real from bogus wines:

I will try to enable my readers to tell real from bogus wine by tasting: Take a little of it in your mouth, move it about for two or three seconds, and spit it out, or even swallow it. If it is real wine, it may taste rather sour, or acerb, on the tongue and palate, but the flavor is agreeable and lasting, and no pungent taste can be detected. If swallowed the same signs are experienced in the throat, and if a glass has been drank, instead of burning the stomach, it will be felt warming it but only for a while. (It is understood that no wine should be taken on an empty stomach.) If it is bogus wine, instead of tasting sour or acerb, it tastes rather sweet and biting; as for the flavor, it is hardly tasted while the wine is in the mouth, and it is all gone as soon as the wine is spit out or swallowed. When swallowed, and immediately after, the throat and stomach have the sensation of burning; and it is that very burning sensation, created by the chemicals used in its manufacture, that is mistaken by many for the real body or strength of genuine wine. It does not warm the stomach like the real liquor, but excites it, and the nervous system also.

It is very plain that the only way to avoid bad liquors is to drink none at all.

Farm Accounts.—Mr. Wallace, of the *Utica Herald*, in a late agricultural discussion, strongly and properly advocated the absolute necessity of keeping careful books of account of the operations on the farm. He says very justly that many farmers go on from year to year, raising and selling without having any correct knowledge of the profit or loss of the different crops. It is natural that every farmer should know exactly what crops pay and what don't. He says he has known farmers to grow oats year after year, and selling it at thirty cents per bushel, who did not know they were doing it at a loss. This state of things ought to be remedied, but it can only be by farmers, who, just as much as the manufacturer, the merchant, or the storekeeper, should have his regular books, where the whole operations of the farm should be distinctly stated, and his receipts and expenditures appear to the last cent.

A Writer in the *Scientific American* thinks the Scuppernong grape is destined to revolutionize grape growing and wine making in America. It is without an equal in productiveness and quality; never rots and never mildews. The vines live one hundred years, bearing yearly after ten years of age, from twenty to fifty bushels of grapes, yielding from fifty to one hundred and twenty gallons of wine. It needs no pruning, training or trellising. Will grow wherever corn or cotton will flourish; is sweet, rich, juicy and luscious, and has no superior as a dessert grape. strange that a grape possessing so many excellent qualities should not have been fully tested in the North. It is a native of South Carolina.

The Mole.—The food and habits of the mole incidentally became the subject of discussion at a meeting of fruit-growers in Cincinnati, the question being whether or not the animal subsisted entirely on animal food, such as worms, etc. Dr. Bland, editor of the *North Western Farmer*, was present, and said that since he had defended the mole in his paper and recommended it to the kind treatment of the farmer, he had received many communications, and finally the stomach of a mole in which undigested corn was to be seen with the naked eye, and had consequently concluded that he had been wrong and that the animal was really destructive of vegetation.

Valuable Advice.—Keep milk cows or fat cattle in the same inclosure with your sheep; and dogs cannot molest them. This is a secret worth hundreds of thousands to farmers and the state, It ought to be published in every week's paper, and the owner of sheep to subscribe for our paper. Thirty years experience has established the soundness of this advice.

Worms in Dried Fruit.—Sassafras bark, mixed with dried fruit, it is said will keep out worms. The remedy can easily be tried, as it will not injure the fruit in any manner.

Youatt, the well-known veterinary surgeon, who has been bitten eight or ten times by rabid animals, says that crystal of the nitrate of silver rubbed into the wound will positively prevent hydrophobia in the bitten person or animal.

A Maryland farmer says a lump of tar about the size of a hickory nut forced down the throat of a hog suffering with the cholera will cure it.

Wood ashes liberally applied to potato ground will add materially to its productive powers. The potato is a great absorber of potash.

The Bladensburg Dueling Ground.

Bladensburg, the famous dueling ground is situated in Maryland, some six or eight miles from Washington. There in a beautiful little grass plot, surrounded by trees, is where a number of the most noted duelists resorted to perform their deadly work.

In 1814, Edward Hopkins was killed here in a duel. This seemed to have been the first of these fashionable murders on this dueling ground.

In 1819, A. T. Mason, a United States Senator, fought his sisters husband, John McCarty here. McCarty was averse to fighting, and thought there was no necessity for it; but Mason would fight. McCarty named muskets loaded with grape shot, and so near together that they would hit heads if they fell on their faces. This was changed by the seconds to loading with bullets, and taking twelve feet as the distance. Mason was killed instantly, and McCarty, who had his collar bone broken, still lives with Mason's sister in Georgetown. His hair turned white so soon after the duel as to cause much comment. He has since been solicited to act as second in a duel, but refused, in accordance with a pledge he made to his wife soon after killing her brother.

In 1820, Commodore Decatur was killed in a duel here by Commodore Barron.—At the first fire both fell forward, with their heads within ten feet of each other; and, as each supposing himself mortally wounded, each fully and freely forgave the other, still lying on the ground. Decatur expired immediately, but Barron eventually recovered.

In 1821, two strangers named Lega and Sega appeared here, fought, and Sega was instantly killed. The neighbors only learned this much of their names from the marks on their gloves, left on the ground. Lega was not hurt.

In 1822, Midshipman Locke was killed here by a clerk of the Treasury Department, named Gibson. The latter was not hurt.

In 1826, Henry Clay fought (his second duel) with John Randolph, just across the Potomac, as Randolph perferred to die, if at all, on Virginia soil. He received Clay's shot, and fired in the air.—This was in accordance with a declaration made to Mr. Benton, who spoke to Randolph of a call, the evening before, on Mrs. Clay, and alluded to the quiet sleep of her child and the repose of the mother. Randolph quickly replied: "I shall do nothing to disturb the sleep of the child or the repose of the mother."

When Randolph fired he remarked:—"I do not shoot at you, Mr. Clay," and extending his hand, advanced toward Mr. Clay, who rushed to meet him. Randolph showed Clay where his ball struck his coat, and said facetiously: "Mr. Clay, you owe me a coat."

Clay replied, "Thank God the debt is no greater!" They were friends ever after.

In 1832, Martin was killed by Carr.—Their first names are not remembered. They were from the South.

In 1833, Mr. Key, son of Frank Key, and brother of Barton Key, of Sickles notoriety, met Mr. Sherborn, and exchanged a shot, when Sherborn said:

"Mr. Key I have no desire to kill you."

"No matter," said Key, "I came to kill you."

"Very well, then," said Sherborn, I will now kill you." And he did.

In 1838, W. J. Graves of Kentucky, assumming the quarrel of James Watson Webb with Jonathan Chilley, of Maine, selected this place for Chilley's murder? but the parties learning that Webb, with two friends, Jackson and Merrell, were armed and in pursuit, for the purpose of assassinating Chilley, moved towards the river, and nearer the city. Their pursuers moved toward the river, but missed the parties, and then returned to the city, to which were soon followed by Graves and the corpse of Chilley.

Stovepipe Hats.—The New York *Commercial* doth moralize about them thus: "Artist ridicule the "stovepipe;" they point out with force and clearness the rules of art it violates; they exhibit its shortcomings in semblance as a matter of beauty; yet we defy them to select or divise a head-dress which shall so unmistakably denote the gentleman of the nineteenth century, as this. There is no figure of the antique, no mediæval model whose headgear bears such social signficance. Ungainly, unæsthetic, unmeaning when as an isolated object, place it on the head of a man of average appearance, and his aspect becomes at once respectable. This is so, even with persons whose port is petty. How much more with one whose carriage is noble, whose head is well set upon his shoulders; whose face fronts that of his fellowman with a self-possessed dignity of mien! Whatever may be said against the "stovepipe," and its faults are many, no man on the promenade can look the gentleman of our period without it."

Milk for Heart Disease.—Dr. Pechelire avers that a milk diet, if strictly adhered to, will releive a person afflicted with certain forms of the heart disease. Under the influences of this diet the impulse of the heart diminishes, together with palpitation, and the congested condition of the face, the brain the lung. The patient experiences unexpected improvement, and by the adoption of this plan life may be prolonged, even in cases where a permanent cure cannot be hoped for.

Keep your temper. The cold hammer moulds and masters red-hot iron.

The Middletown Transcript.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL.

SATURDAY MORNING, MAY 30, 1868.

Attention Democrats!!

Pursuant to the calls of the Chairman of the State and County Executive Committees, a meeting of the Democratic votern of Saint George's Hundred, will be held at the house of William T. Chance, in Odessa, on Saturday, June the 6th at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of selecting Delegates to the State and County Nominative Conventions.

MANY DEMOCRATS.

The Finale of Impeachment,

The High Court of Impeachment adjourned *sine die*, on Tuesday last, after two more ineffectual efforts to convict the President. Votes were taken on the 2d and 3d articles, which resulted precisely as the first vote, on the 11th article, 35 to 19, one vote less than two-thirds. The Senate then as a Court of Impeachment finally adjourned, by a vote of 16 to 34. Thus, after a trial protracted through thirty-four days, this whole shameless and monstrous proceeding has come to an end. The President stands acquitted, and his enemies and accusers are overwhelmed with mortification and disappointment. The verdict, there can be no doubt in the unprejudiced mind, was just; rendered though it was, on the part of the seven Republican Senators who voted for acquittal, under the most trying circumstances ever brought to bear upon a jury in this or any other country. All honor to these men, for their more than Roman devotion to the principles of truth, justice and right, in this ever-memorable case, and whose steadfast courage withstood the storm of party passion which beat so mercilessly upon their devoted heads. The President through all this fiery ordeal, has deported himself with a calmness, a dignity and a propriety, which challenge the admiration of all men whose judgment is unperverted by the frenzy of party. The miserable pretence that these Senators were bribed, is but a shift of the impeachers to cast off from themselves the odium which they are conscious attaches to their own acts. It is unworthy of the Senate, of the country, and of all who repeat the foul accusation. As a party movement, it was as stupid as it was malignant, and we wonder that respectable, clear-sighted men among the Republicans in Congress, should have followed so blindly the lead of such men as Stevens and Butler. The party has lost its prestige, and the failure of impeachment is an additional element of weakness which will serve but to hasten its overthrow. The country may congratulate itself upon the issue. Reflecting men have trembled at the impending peril to our republican institutions, and at the severe strain to which they would have been exposed, had the President been deposed. They feared the consummation of the ill-advised scheme, and the dire consequences beyond. But haply we have escaped, though only by a hair's breadth. The intense excitement occasioned by the trial will now, it is to be hoped, subside, and the business of the country move forward in its customary routine.

Several of our Democratic cotemporaries are treating seriously the proposition to nominate Mr. Chase as the Democratic candidate for the Presidency, deprecating such a nomination. The idea is too absurd to be seriously entertained. Do the Washington letter writers, and sensation-mongers, with whom these things originate, believe that the party will so stultify itself, or that the rank and file can be driven, like dumb cattle, to vote for *any* man, no matter whether he holds one single principle in common with them or not? Judge Chase is not a Democrat, nor is he a Conservative. He differs with his party in some things, and chiefly in that he has been overslaughed by Grant. But he holds to the corner-stone of Republicanism—*negro suffrage*—and no Democrat will go for that under any circumstances. Whoever may be the nominee will have to stand squarely on the platform, and that will have to be built of *solid timber*, without wind-shakes or flaws of and kind, and the New York builders will do well to bear this in mind. It is trifling with the best interests of the party to talk of Judge Chase, or any one of similar antecedents.

The wags of the press are after Butler with sharp nibs. It will be remembered that he telegraphed to Onslow Stearns, on the 5th inst. from Washington as follows:

"The removal of the great obstruction to peace and quiet is certain. Wade and prosperity are sure to come with the apple blossoms. Signed B. F. BUTLER.

The Baltimore Leader, quotes as follows, as to Butler and his Sodom "apple-blossoms:"

"To-day he puts forth
The tender leaves of hope, to-morrow blossoms,
And bears his blushing honors thick upon him.
The third day comes a frost—a killing frost"—

Another,—alluding to Butler's failures—enumerates:—"Big Bethel, Fort Fisher, Dutch Gap Canal, Impeachment. The apple blossoms have shed their bloom—

"Leaves have their time to fall,
And so likewise have I."

A wit says the eleventh article was taken up first on scriptural grounds, as the impeachers hoped that a little 'leven would leaven the whole lump.

Wade's Cabinet will never come from the hands of the furniture maker.

SUBSCRIBE FOR THE TRANSCRIPT.—We have often been unable to supply the demand for extra copies of the TRANSCRIPT. Many persons have called for it and have been disappointed. The way to remedy this is to subscribe for it. We add extra numbers to our issue, from time to time, but the gradual increase of our subscription list continually reduces them, so that we cannot always be prepared to furnish transient purchasers. If they would subscribe for it, they would then be sure of receiving it regularly.

PENDLETON AND HANCOCK.—We were in Baltimore, last week, and among the active business men of the city, there seemed to be a strong feeling for Pendleton, as the Democratic nominee for President, and Gen. Hancock for Vice President. This would make a very strong ticket.

Our poetic department, to-day, is enriched by some valuable contributions, and will be found more than usually attractive. We hope these are not the last favors of the kind we shall receive from the pens of these gifted authors.

From Washington.

A Washington letter to the Philadelphia *Age*, of May 27th says:—The acquittal of the President and the sudden dissolution of the Court has produced a feeling of relief among all classes here, except the ultra Radicals, who follow Wade's example and utter curses loud and deep on the heads of several Republican Senators, who had more regard for the solemn oath they had taken than for the behests of their party.

From the indications to-day, both houses of Congress will endeavor for the remainder of the session to make up lost time, by attending more closely to regular legislative business, with a view to an adjournment about the first of July.

The retirement of Stanton from the War Department, is hailed with general satisfaction here, and no doubt throughout the whole country. It was expected by some that General Thomas would have assumed the control of the affairs of the department but he has not done so, and the better opinion seems to be that the office will be permitted to go without a head until the Senate shall cofirm some nominee for the position.

Mr. Charles W. Woolley, who was placed in the custody of the Sergeant-at-Arms yesterday, by order of the House *Jacobins*, for refusing to answer Butler's *impertinent* questions, is still locked up in the room of the Committee on Foreign Affairs. Butler questioned him as to the disposition he made of $20,000 traced to his possession. The witness answered that it was not used, directly or indirectly, to influence votes on impeachment, and beyond that he reiterated his determination not to answer. He was then remanded to the custody of the Sergeant-at-Arms, who again locked him up.

It is understood that the President will shortly send to the Senate the nomination of Hon. Henry Stanbery to be Attorney-General of the United States, to fill the vacancy caused by his own resignation when he entered upon the defense of the President against the articles of impeachment.

It is stated that Secretary Seward and Postmaster-General Randell will shortly tender their resignations to the President. The reason assigned is that they have been desirous of retiring from the Cabinet for some time past, and only refrained from so doing on account of the impeachment trial, not wishing their friends to think that they had deserted the President under the then existing circumstances.

Retirement of Mr. Stanton.

After the adjournment of the court of impeachment yesterday, Mr. Stanton sent a communication to the President stating that the resolution of the Senate of the 21st of February last, declaring that the President has no power to remove the Secretary of War and designate a successor *ad interim*, having failed to be supported by the Senate, voting yesterday on the articles of impeachment, he relinquished the charge of the War Department, and had left the archives of the same subject to the President's direction. This may be taken as Mr. Stanton's last dying speech as a public official, and is a fitting close to the great drama of impeachment, which winds up appropriately, in the final act, with the removal, voluntarily or involuntarily, as may choose to be considered, of him only who was the first and superfluous cause of all the great trouble. The following is Mr. Stanton's letter:

WAR DEPARTMENT,
WASHINGTON CITY, May 26, 1868.

Sir—The resolution of the Senate of the United States of the 21st of February last, declaring that the President "has no power to remove the Secretary of War and designate any other officer to perform the duties of that office *ad interim*," having this day failed to be supported by two-thirds of the Senate present and voting on the articles of impeachment perferred against you by the House of Representatives, I have relinquished charge of the War Department, and have left the same and the books, archives, papers and property in my custody as Secretary of War in the care of Brevet Major General Townsend, the senior Assistant Adjutant General, subject to your direction.

(Signed) EDWIN M. STANTON,
Secretary of War.

To the President.

The letter of "Gondolier," is deferred until our next issue. Also our letter from Baltimore.

The thirty eighth annual Convention of the New England Anti-Slavery Society was held in Boston on Wednesday. Wendell Philips made a speech, in which he said the Radicals were killed by the failure of impeachment. Resolutions were passed abusive of the President; that owing to the defeat of impeachment at the hands of the republican party the nation was justified in distrusting its leadership; condemning the Chicago platform; protesting against the admission of "Rebel" States, etc.

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

FAST HORSES.—The turf is subject to change, as well as everything else. The running horse used to be the pride of sportsmen, and is yet in England, but in this country the trotting horse seems to be more highly esteemed. Even those who never participate in the sports of the turf, like to have a pair of good roadsters that can move along at the rate of ten or twelve miles an hour. We are, emphatically, a "fast" people, and in nothing do we exhibit this national peculiarity more than in our fast horses. We do not intend to speak of the performances of Flora Temple, Patchen, Dexter, and other celebrities of the trotting turf. These are sufficiently familiar to our readers. We purpose only to make brief mention of some of the fast horses in our own neighborhood, several of which possess 2.40 speed, it is said. Mr. J. Cazier used to own, and perhaps does yet, as fine a trotter as any we have ever seen in this section; and what is worthy of mention, he used to take proper care of her. It is too often the fate of fast horses that they are sadly abused by being overdriven, and forced beyond their strength and endurance. We never see a harem-scarem Jehu behind a fast horse, forcing him beyond his powers, that we do not think the horse is the nobler animal of the two. Mr. J. W. Mulford, near Summit Bridge, owned a very fine trotter, but since his removal from the county, we understand the horse has been in the possession of Mr. Carnaghy. We saw him attached to a sleigh, last winter, and he gave us a very favorable idea of his powers of locomotion. Mr. Samuel B. Foard, jr. of Elkton, owns a young horse called "Cecil," bred on Bohemia Manor, by our young friend Jefferson B. Foard, who sold him for $400, and his present owner has been offered $1300 for him, report says; but he is so well pleased with his go-ahead qualities, that he has not yet consented to part with him. Mr. Joshua F. Biddle, of Bohemia Manor, also raised a very fine horse and rapid motor, "Stonewall," which he sold for nine hundred and fifty dollars. Mr. John G. Hicks, of Christiana Hundred, has one of the fastest horses in the county. It is claimed that he can trot a mile in 2.38. He is of the Reybold stock, and is called the "Quebec Horse."

Mr. Charles Derrickson owns a very fine pacer, which has made rapid time, surpassed by few horses in the State. Mr. J. W. Baker, of Elkton, has a pair of nimble-footed animals, which it is supposed would be rather "hard to beat," on trial. Mr. Samuel Gillespie, of Warwick, has a horse of fine motive powers, under whose feet "no grass grows," when "Sam" holds the "ribbons." Mr. Richard C. Hayes, of Odessa, has a horse which it is believed can "take 'em all down," when "put to his mettle." Mr. Thomas Cochran, in the vicinity of Middletown, has the fastest "pair," perhaps, in the neighborhood, and one of them is much fleeter than the other. Mr. J. Wilson also has a very good roadster, which moves at something less than telegraph speed when he is fully "straightened out." There are other fine horses in the neighborhood, which want of space will not permit us to refer to now. But before closing our horse talk, for the present, we must not omit to mention a very superb black horse, in the possession of Mr. Hosea Riddle, of Newark, remarkable for his fine appearance, as well as his fine action.

Two prize fighters, Carroll and White, came to Elkton, on Saturday last, from Baltimore, attended by a crowd of the fancy, and from that point came across the lines into Delaware, trudging on foot through the mud and rain, and pitched their ring just within the borders of this State. Carroll leaped into the arena announcing himself ready for the fray, but White would not fight, alleging as the cause the absence of his friend and second Sam. Collyer. The party then returned to Elkton, but finding a posse of Baltimore police in waiting, scattered in different dirictions. No arrests, however, were made. Sheriff Herbert did not hear of the presence of the pugilists in this State, until after they had left. Collyer had been with the party, but retraced his steps to Elkton and took the next train for Baltimore.

THE FOOT RACE.—Frank Hull's great match against time, five miles in 35 minutes, over the Warwick course, will come off on Monday next, weather permitting, for a stake of $200. Although engaged in this race, Frank is no "sport," but a very industrious, sober, studious young man. And whoever stakes his money against Frank's wind and muscle, will find out that he does so at considerable risk. His young friends about town have given him the soubriquet of "Dexter," after the celebrated horse of that name. He will certainly prove himself dexterous, we think, in Monday's race.

Hyland B. Penington, Esq. of Smyrna, offers at Public Sale in this town, June 11th, his Brick Store and Dwelling situat in Cecilton, Maryland, about nine miles from Middletown. This is an old business stand, and a desirable property for any person wishing to engage in any mercantile business. Go and see.

The *Delaware Gazette* made several errors in referring to Major Biggs' land, nurseries, &c. Besides, it added five years to the Major's age, which, if he were a single man, would be a very serious matter. He is 45 years of age, not 50; and has 1600 acres of land in Delaware and Maryland, instead of 1400 as reported; and has sold but 400,000 peach trees this season, instead of one million. In reporting local intelligence, the press aims to get at the truth, but does not always succeed. And when it does get wrong, it is well to set it right.

Mr. Hunter, the Sabbath School Missionary, delivered six lectures recently in Odessa, and collected $82. Thirty-six children committed to memory the 1st Psalm, and received each a book for the same. He lectured again, in this town, on Thursday evening, and distributed rewards in books to thirty-three children who had memorized the 1st Psalm.

The trial of Wm. Waters for the murder of Wm. Gaines, both negroes, in Middletown, on the 17th of August last, was begun at New Castle on Wednesday last, Moore and Rumford for State, Harrington for defense. A number of witnesses were examined, The case was given to the jury yesterday afternoon, and a virdict of acquittal rendered. Court then adjourned.

The vote upon the upper terminus of the Kent Rail Road, was not taken at the meeting of the Directors which took place on Monday last. The question was deferred until the next meeting, which takes place on Friday next.

Anthony Perrigen, negro, was committed to New Castle Jail, on Thursday, for an assault upon Mr. J. H. Hukill, of this town. He gave bail yesterday.

The New York letter of the *Ledger*, on Thursday, contains the following;

Thurlow Weed is out in a statement over his own name in this afternoon's *Commercial*, with reference to his examination before the Impeachment Managers at Washington. He comes to the conclusion that Senator Pomeroy either intended to dispose of three votes (including his own) or he was willing that his friends should use his name to make money; or, as some believe, there was a conspiracy between Butler and Pomeroy to implicate the President, thus obtaining new material for impeachment. Mr. Weed then proceeds to give, in considerable detail, his "reasons for the faith that is in him." And in that connection he mixes up the names of a Mr. Leggett and a Mr. Gaylord, (intimate friends of Mr. Pomeroy, he says,) who were not unwilling to undertake, for money, to obtain the votes not only of that Senator, but also of those of Messrs. Nye and Tipton. Nevertheless, the writer adds," I did not, nor do I yet believe that Senator Pomeroy baited the hooks with which his friend Leggett, and his brother-in-law Gaylord, fished. Whether they caught anything, or not, I am unable to say. Nothing certainly from me, or with my consent."

A SHIPLOAD OF EMIGRANTS TO LIBERIA.—The Savannah News has the following account of the departure of emigrants to Liberia from that port:

The superior ship Golconda, owned by the American Colonization Society, went to sea yesterday with four hundred and fifty-one emigrants for Liberia. Most of the men are farmers and mechanics, and are well supplied with agricultural implements and tools. Turning lathes and the requisite machinery for saw and grist mills, for which ample power abounds in Liberia, were taken by some of the well to-do of them. Sewing machines were not forgotten by the women. Our stores were patronized for some of these articles; others were brought by them. Free transportation in the ship was given them by the Society for all articles tending to promote the success of the emigrants and the republic to which they go. A fair proportion of the company can read, and some can read and write. The communicants of churches are remarkably numerous. There are five licensed ministers of the Baptist and Methodist denominations.

THE SUSQUEHANNA LUMBER BUSINESS.—The lumber trade on the Susquehanna was, during the past week, and still is, exceedingly brisk. At Marrietta, the landing for the distance of several miles is crowded with timber rafts, lying five and six deep, probably three hundred in number. Many are hourly arriving, whilst about an equal number are being purchased by the Eastern buyers and dispatched through to tide water, from whence they are taken to Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York, &c. Prices range from fourteen cents to nineteen cents per cubic foot, according to quality, being about three cents per foot less than last years prices. The stage of water is now quite favorable for through navigation from the head waters of the branches of the river to tide water, and will most likely remain so for some time, as the branches are reported as being still full, so that all the timber and other lumber that was in readiness will be brought to market this season.—*Lancaster Ex.*

PROCEEDINGS OF COURT.—The case of Mears & Son vs. Joseph Waples, in which was involved about $15,000 worth of corn, was given to the jury on Wednesday morning last, after having occupied a whole week of the Court. About 6 o'clock in the evening the jury came into the Court room, and asked for some information in regard to certain points of the law. The Ckief Justice repeated part of the charge he had delivered, after which they again retired to their chamber. The jury afterwards returned a verdict for the defendant. This case proved a very interesting one, and was ably argued by T. F. Bayard and Geo. Gray, Esqs. for the plaintiff, and Hon. J. P. Comegys and Hon. Wm. G. Whitcley for the defendant.—*Del. Gaz.*

Items of News.

A bloody tragedy occurred near Cambridge, Md. on Monday evening last, resulting in the death of Shadrach Bell, a farmer, at the hands of Wm. E. Rook, a young man lately married, who was employed by him. A quarrel took place at the supper table, and a desperate fight ensued, in which Rook seized an axe and dealt his adversary a dozen blows, afterwards dragging his nearly lifeless body to a fodder stack, where he was found with scarcely strength enough to relate the circumstances of the fight, expiring in an hour or two after. The wife of Rook ran out of the house in terror when the fight commenced. Rook was arrested on Monday night, and on Tuesday morning hung himself in Cambridge jail.

When the Pacific railroad is finished, the tour of the world can be made in two months and a half. From New York to San Francisco will take seven days; from San Francisco to Hong Kong, by way of Yokohama, twenty days; from Hong Kong by steamer to Suez, thtirty-two days; from Suez to Paris, six days; from Paris to New York, ten days; in all seventy-five days. This can only be done, however, by continuous traveling and succesful connections everywhere.

Mr. John Naglee, of Prince William County, Va, has brought suit againt Secretary Stanton for trespass in taking posession of his farm, destroying his crop, stock, &c. in 1865, after hostilities had ceased, laying the damages at $50,000. Mr. N. is a brother of Gen. H. M. Naglee, and was in the Union army during the war.

An extraordinary case (because unusual) has been tried at Hubbardston, Michigan. John Waffle has been convicted, under the the statute, for profane swearing, and fined five dollars and costs ($6.20 more). This he refused to pay, and was sent to jail, as he "considered the punishment unmerited," and refused to pay cash down for his profanity.

Mrs. Atwell, who is now, and has been, for a great number of years, a resident of Metcalfe County, Ky. aged eighty odd years, has had her hair undergoing the pleasant transformation from the snowiest white to the richest black, and is now in the possession of a luxuriant growth of rich black hair.

In Stamford, Connecticut, several Roman Catholic priests have been holding protracted temperance meetings, and as a consequence, two hundred men and women have signed the pledge, and five liquor sellers have closed their shops.

The Buffalo gnats are killing the stock througout the southwest country. The stock along the river counties suffers most. The late spell of bad weather has increased the gnats. Planters in some cases have lost their entire stock.

Satrap Mead has agreed to pardon the seven young men lately sent from Green county, Alabama, to Dry Tortugas, for committing an assault upon a notorious character named Hill.

The regular May anniversary of the Brooklyn Sunday Schools was held in that city on Tuesday. The parade was one of the finest of the kind had for several years past. There were about 25,000 children, representing 112 schools, in procession.

Rev. Dr George Junkin, one of the most eminent ministers of the Old School branch of the Presbyterian Church, died suddenly at his residence at Philadelphia, on Wednesday afternoon, 20th inst. Dr. J. was father-in-law of Gen. Stonewall Jackson.

A resident of Southampton County, Va. has contracted to deliver on the Seaboard Railroad, running through his farm, the produce of ten acres in strawberries for $10,000, the buyer to furnish the packing-boxes.

Chief Justice Chase having assented to June 3d as the day for commencing the trial of Mr. Davis, if the impeachment trial should be closed by that time, it is understood that it will certainly take place then.

Twenty-six thousand cases, containing 1,560,000 pair of shoes, were shipped from Lynn, Mass. during the month of April, the largest month's business ever done there. Value $2,000,000.

Louisiana will yield more sugar this year than last when the crop was only about 40,000 hogsheads. More land has been planted and the general prospect is reported good.

The decree in the Judd divorce case, at New Haven, Connecticut, dismisses the petition of Mrs Judd, grants the cross petition of Dr. Judd, and gives him the custody of their children.

The Provisional Government of Crete has decided to convoke a regular Parliament. The Cretans have been successful in another engagement with the Turks.

Jonathan Green, the "reformed gambler," has been arrested in Cincinnati on a charge of defrauding a wealthy lady, whose agent he was, out of about $6,000.

The New Yorkers are about to establish a line of steamers between that port and Bremen. The Smidt, the pioneer of the line, arrived at that port the other day.

The cable to be laid from the southern point of Florida to Cuba has been completed by the English manufacturer, and will be laid this Summer.

The New York Anti-Gambling Society reported forty-three clerks to their employers last month as addicted to fighting the tiger.

The prize fight between Joe Coburn and Mike Mc Cool, was broken up at Cleveland, Ohio, on Wednesday, by the arrset of the parties.

George Huber, of Ubricksville, Ohio, died a few days ago from the bite of a large black spider

One man in Clarke county, Ohio has three hundred Cashmere goats, imported from Asia Minor.

The daily receipts of the street cars, omnibuses and ferry boats in New York aggregate $50,000.

There are only 920 miles of the Pacific railroad yet to be constructed.

Napoleon has been ill, but his condition is now much improved.

Ordinary laborers are paid $60 a month in Austin, Nevada.

The Union Pacific railroad is finished 560 miles west of Omaha.

A man in Peoria, Ill. last Thursday ate six dozen eggs during the day on a wager.

The health of ex-President Buchanan is said to be improving.

Political Items.

The State Executive Committee through their Chairman, Thomas F. Bayard, Esq. has called a State Convention of the Democratic party, at Dover, on Wednesday, the 17th of June, at 1 o'clock, P. M. to select delegates to the National Democratic Convention, in the city of New York, July 4th, 1868. Each Hundred in New Castle County, will send five delegates.

A Democratic meeting will be held for Appoquinimink Hundred, at Blackbird, on Saturday next, June 6th, to select five delegates to represent the Hundred in the State Convention at Dover, on the 17th of June; also to select five delegates to represent the Hundred in the County Convention to be held under the call of the County Executive Committee, for the purpose of nominating candidates for the Legislature and the Levy Court.

The Maryland Democratic Conservative State convention, composed of delegates from all the counties of the State and the city of Baltimore, will assemble at Baltimore, on Wednesday next, the 3rd of June, for the purpose selecting delegates to represent the State in the Democratic National Convention, which assembles in the city of New York on the 4th of July next.

Delaware Affairs.

EPISCOPAL CONVENTION.—The seventy-eighth Convention of the P. E. Church of the Diocese of Delaware, will be held in St. Philip's Church, Laurel, on Wednesday, the 3d of June, commencing at 9 o'clock, A. M. Delegates will take the express train, going South, on Tuesday evening, and return on the accommodation train Thursday morning. Tickets can be procured at the several stations for two-thirds the usual rates, good for one week from Monday, the 1st.

MARYLAND AND DELAWARE RAILROAD.—The Denton *Union*, of the 16th instant, says, that if the balance of the $10,000 required to be raised for this road in Caroline county, is not made up by the 20th inst. the road will pass out of the hands of the company. The amount to be raised is about $5,000. We suppose the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad Company will take control after that date.

COMMITTED TO JAIL.—Two negroes were arrested on Tuesday for robbing and setting on fire the office of Mr. Rile, on Ninth st. near Lombard, a few weeks ago. They both confessed the act, and were sent to New Castle jail to await their trial in November.—*Del. Gazette.*

The citizens of Dover are again talking of constructing a canal from that town to the Delaware River.

The State Educational Convention will assemble at Dover, on Monday, July 13th, at 2 o'clock.

DIED.

At Odessa, on Monday night last, Mr. John Tumlin.

THE MARKETS.

MIDDLETOWN MARKET.

Wheat, prime red	$2 70
Corn yellow	1 10
" white	1 05
Oats	87
Timothy Seed	3 75
Clover Seed	8 00
Butter	20@25 cts. ℔ lb
Eggs	25 cts ℔ dozen
Chickens	16@18 " "
Lard	18@20 " "
Hogs	10@15 " "
Beef	20@25 " "
Hams	20@25 " "
Sides	17@19 " "
Shoulders	15@17 " "
Potatoes	1 50@1 75 ℔ bush

PHILADELPHIA.

Prime red wheat	$2 80@2 84
Corn, new yellow	1 18
Oats	88@92

WILMINGTON.

Wheat red	$2 75
Corn	1 22
Oats	85@ 90
Flour	$13 75@14 25

Sale at Middletown, Del.

WILL be sold at Public Sale, at Davis' Hotel, in Middletown, (on the Delaware Rail Road) on

Thursday, the 11th day of June, 1868.

at 12 o'clock, (noon) that well known

BRICK STORE

WITH

Brick Dwelling Attached,

situated in the town of Cecilton, Cecil county, Maryland. The Dwelling is commodious, with necessary out buildings, consisting of

Meat House, Milk House, Granary &c.

with a large Garden, under fence.

To any person desiring to engage in any Mercantile business, or to make a good investment, this is a desirable property. Cecilton is a thriving Town and is surrounded by a rich and fertile country, 9 miles from Middletown, on the Delaware Rail Road, and 3 miles from the Baltimore Steamboat landing, and this is one of the oldest business stands in the town and neighborhood. Also a lot of ground, well located in said town. Title good and possession given at once.

TERMS OF SALE.—Ten per cent of the purchase money on day of sale; $1500 in cash, or a Bond for one year for $1500, with approved security; the balance on Bond, secured by a mortgage, or the property payable from three to five years.—Expense of Deeds and Stamps to be paid by purchaser. Attendance on day of sale by the undersigned, or H. Robert Pennington, his Attorney. HYLAND B. PENINGTON,

May 30-ts Smyrna. Del.

☞ Mr. Wm. H. Pearce, of Cecilton, will show the property.

NOTICE.

THE Annual Meeting of the Fruit Grower's Association of Delaware and Maryland, will be held at the Hotel of William T. Chance, in the Village of Odessa, Del. on

Saturday, the 13th day of June, 1868.

at one o'clock, P. M.

JOSEPH W. VANDEGRIFT,
May 30-tm Secretary.
ODESSA, Del.

☞ Cecil Democrat, Delaware Republican, Chestertown Transcript, and Smyrna Times publish till meeting, and send bill to advertiser.

FOR SALE.

SWEET POTATO PLANTS, Celery, Cabbage and Tomato Plants, For sale by
J. HENRY HANSON,
May 23-2w Near Middletown, Del.

BLACKSMITH'S COAL. For sale by
E. T. EVANS.
April 11, 1868.

A CARD TO THE PUBLIC.

THE undersigned, having rented the large and convenient room formerly occupied by Mr. T. E. Jump, at Warwick, has just opened a large and complete assortment of all kinds of

GOODS,

necessary to be kept in a first class store. Having come among you for the purpose of making an honest living, he hopes by close attention to business to receive a share of the public patronage, pledging himself to make it to your interest to give him a call, intending to sell any and all goods as low as they can be bought in any town on the shore; call in and examine, and if it is not so, you are not compelled to buy. No charge for showing goods.

Look at Some of the Prices,

Calicoes, 8, 10, 12 and 16 cents per yard.
Bleached and Brown Muslins, 10, 12, 15, 18, and 23 cents per yard.
Good and all wool Cassimeres, 65, 75, and $1.00 per yard. Fine Black Cloths and Cassimeres from $1,25 to $5,00.

A Fine Stock of Ready Made Clothing

AT VERY LOW PRICES.

GROCERIES.

Brown Sugar, 12½, 16 and 17 cents, White, 17, and 18 cents per lb. Green Coffee, 25 and 30 cents pr. lb. Burnt Coffee. 30 cents per lb.
Good Molasses, 55, cts per gal. Best Syrup, $1,00 per gallon.
Pure Cider Vinegar, 40 cts. per gal. Coal Oil, the very best, 50 cts. per gallon.

QUEENSWARE, HARDWARE, TINWARE, WOODEN and WILLOW-WARE.

NOTIONS.

Hosiery, Gloves, Fancy Soaps, Perfumery, Laces, Edgings and Trimmings.

BOOTS, SHOES, HATS and CAPS, a full line, at low prices.

Oil Cloths, Table Covers, Straw Mattings and Carpetings.

Collars, Bridles, Halters, Rope and Chain Traces, Shoves, Spades, Rakes and Hoes.

All kinds of country produce taken in exchange for goods, at the highest market prices.

WOOL WANTED.

The highest market price given for Wool.

Call in and examine, and if there is anything you want and don't see it, call for it and we will have it.

P. S. ☞ Remember no trouble to show goods.

Repectfully;
May 30-1y A. W. SPARKS.

WM L. CHALK'S,

Flour, Feed and Provision Store,

No. 9. WEST MAIN ST.

Middletown, Delaware.

KEEPS constantly on hand the best grades of Flour, Meal and Feed of all kinds, Corn and Oats. Vegetables of all kinds in their season, also, Fresh Meat, Beef, Veal and Mutton, sliced Ham, Dried Beef, Bologna Sausage, Butter and Eggs. Market days—Wednesday and Saturday.

Flour, Feed and Meal, in quantities of 50 lbs. and upwards will be delivered to purchasers free of charge. All the above articles will be sold at the very lowest Cash prices, all goods cash on delivery. Thankful for the liberal Patronage of the past year, I hope by strict attention to business to merit a continuance of the same.

P. S.—Having made arangements with the Odessa stage drivers, to take orders for me, I will visit Odessa, three times a week, Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays, and deliver Flour, Meal and Feed, in quantities to suit. Orders delivered to Mr. Money, will receive prompt attention. This arrangement will be continued with Mr. Chance or his driver, at the expiration of Mr. Money's time.

Having made arrangements with the Celebrated Miller, Mr. Drummond, to be supplied with his best Flour, I can sell the same at his own retail prices. Farmers and others from the country can be supplied, without the trouble of driving to the mill, by bringing their money to No. 9. and get their food for Man, and Beast.

May 30-tf

FOR RENT.

AT Townsend, Del. a good two story House, Brick, building and Kitchen nearly new, good Garden, Smoke House, Wash house, and Pump of water in the yard. Possession can be given at once. Apply to
SAMUEL TOWNSEND.
May 30-1m Townsend.

REGISTER'S OFFICE,
NEW CASTLE COUNTY, May 12th, 1868.

Upon the application of Mark H. Davis, Executor of the last Will and Testament of Mark Davis, late of Saint George's Hundred, in said county, deceased; it is ordered and directed by the Register that the Executor aforesaid, give notice of the granting of Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing advertisements to be posted within forty days from the date of such Letters, in six of the most public places of the County of New Castle, requiring all persons having demands against the Estate, to present the same, or abide by an Act of Assembly in such case made and provided. And also cause the same to be inserted within the same period in the MIDDLETOWN TRANSCRIPT, a newspaper published in Middletown, and to be continued therein two months.

Given under the hand and Seal of office of the Register aforesaid, at New Castle, in New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written. (L. S.)

R. C. FRAIM, Register.

NOTICE.—All persons having claims against the Estate of the deceased must present the same duly attested to the Executor on or before May 12th, 1869, or abide the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided.

MARK H. DAVIS,
Executor.
Address—Middletown, Delaware.
May 23—2m

ATTEND TO YOUR TEETH.

FEW persons are properly impressed with the importance of giving early attention to decaying teeth. The health is often affected by them, to say nothing of the inconvenience and suffering, which they produce. It is important to have all caries promptly arrested. If treated in time most teeth may be preserved.

Teeth Extracted Without Pain,

by the use of Nitrous Oxide Gas, a harmless and pleasant anesthetic.

J. J. VANDERFORD, D. D. S.
May 9-tf Middletown, Del.

PURE COOL SPRING ICE

WILL be served to the Citizens of Middletown, on and after Monday, May 25th, at the following rates—To Regular customers, 100 lbs, and over, 80 cents per Hd. 25 lbs. up to 100, 1 cent per lb. under 25 lbs. 1½ cents per lb. Casual customers will be charged extra.

May 23—2w CHARLES ADAMS.

NOTICE.

ONE Instalment, of one Dollar per Share upon the Capital Stock of the Middletown Hall Company will be due, and payable to John R. Hall, Esq. on Monday, June 15th, 1868. Prompt payment of the same is urgently requested.

J. THOMAS BUDD,
May 16—5w Secretary.

The Middletown Transcript

PUBLISHED EVERY SATURDAY,

BY HENRY VANDERFORD.

☞ Office corner Main and Scott streets, over D. L. Dunning's Book and Variety Store.

TERMS.—$2.00 per annum, *payable in advance.* Single copies five cents.

ADVERTISING RATES.—One square of ten lines, **$1 for the first insertion** and 25 cents for each **subsequent insertion.** One square one year $10; **six months $6. For a quarter of a column three months $8;** six mouhts $15; one year, with the privilege of four changes, $25; for half a column $50. Fractions of a square to be counted as a **square.** When the number of insertions is not **marked,** advertisements will be continued until **forbid,** and charged accordingly. Obituaries published at advertising rates; Marriages and Deaths inserted free. Yearly advertisers must confine their advertisements to their own business.

☞ All letters should be addressed to THE MIDDLETOWN TRANSCRIPT, Middletown, Del.

NEWARK MACHINE WORKS.

THE DIAMOND STATE
Thresher and Cleaner

WE call the attention of Farmers to our improved Diamond State Thresher and Cleaner, with double acting Separator. The practical operation of these machines is such as will warrant us in advising those wanting Threshers and Cleaners to examine ours before purchasing elsewhere. We manufacture three sizes, No. 1, 36 inch cylinder, No. 2, 30 inch cylinder, No. 3, 26 inch cylinder. They are of the best materials and workmanship, and

Warranted to Suit Purchasers.

Large or small powers can be used to drive them as desired. Galvanized sheet iron is used for S v s and Shaker bottoms. They are unequaled in strength; durability and ease of running, doing their work rapidly and in the best manner. The machine is a model of simplicity in its construction and operation, and the price of it below that of others in the market. The double shaker srparates all the grain from the straw, none is wasted, and the crimped sieves and the peculiar motion of the fan shoe makes it a cleaner unsurpassed. The shoe can easily be detached from the separator and the machine used as a Thresher and Separator alone. Two and three Horse Endless Chain Railway Powers with steel bearings—Pelton and other Lever Powers. Send for a circular.

Address— CASHIO & Co. Newark, Del.
May 23—3m Joel Pusey, General Agt.

CONDITIONS FOR
The War Between the States;
Its Causes, Character, Conduct And Results,
By Hon. Alex. H. Stephens.

IT will present a careful political analysis of the past, separating *real* from *apparent* causes of the late unhappy conflict, and give those interior lights and shadows of the great war *only* known to those high officers, who watched the flood-tide of revolution from its fountain-springs, and which were so accessible to Mr. STEPHENS from his position as second officer of the Confederacy.

It will be printed from a beautiful, clear, new type, on fine calendered paper, made expressly for this work, comprised in two large volumes of about 650 pages each, illustrated with numerous fine steel engravings, and furnished to subscribers in neat and substantial binding, at the following prices, payable on delivery:

In Extra English Moroco Cloth, at $3.75 per vol.
In Fine Leather, (Library Style,) at 4.50 " "
In Half Calf, at 5.50 " "

The Public Will Please Notice,

1st. That we furnish for delivery, Books equal in every respect to the sample copies or description given in prospectus. Subscribers will not be obliged to take the work unless it corresponds with the description in every particular.

2d. We instruct Agents to have but one price for our publications, under penalty of a refusal to supply their lists, and a forfeiture of their appointments.

3d. We sell our books exclusively by subscription, through our traveling Agents, and in *no case* through book stores; therefore this is the only way in which they can be obtained.

4th. To avoid delaying the Agent, whose time is valuable, subscribers are requested to be prepared with price of the book on its presentation by the Agent.

NATIONAL PUBLISHING Co. Publishers.
JOHN A. LOOBY,
May 23—tf Agent.

WOOL MANUFACTURING.

FARMERS and others, having wool to manufacture, will find it their interest to call at HERMSTEAD FACTORY on Mill Creek, where special attention will be paid to manufacturing Cloths, Cassimeres, Kerseys, Blankets, Stocking Yarn, &c. and with skilled workmen, and increased facilities, a guaarantee is given, that the work will be done in a proper manner, and at reasonable prices. Full market price paid in cash for Wool at the Factory. Also on hand a good line of Superior Goods, Yarn &c. at very low prices. Orders left at C. W. Worrell's store, 220 Market St. Wilmington, will be promptly attended to. Wool sent by rail, and directed to me, and directions by mail with careful description of goods wanted, will be carefully attended to.

THOMAS WORRELL,
809 Tatnall St. Wilmington, Del.
May 23—1mo.

JUST received a new lot of Mackerel, Shad and Herring, to be sold low.
Feb 28 NAUDAIN & BRO.

G. & H. BARMORE,

PIANO FORTE

MANUFACTURERS,

Ware-rooms, 348 Bleecker Street, New York City.

32 Years Established, and 27 Prize Medals Awarded.

Our Piano Fortes are now universally acknowledged by the most surmounting artists to be the Best manufactured, and wherever they have been introduced and used, we are not required to say one word in their favor, their excellence stands pre-eminently to those of other makers; and from the great success achieved, and improvements made by us in the last thirty years, we can afford to sell a first-class Piano Forte at $100 to $150 less than a similar one can be bought elsewhere

Every Piano Forte Warranted for 5 Years, and to give Satisfaction.

Our Pianos are made to last; them sterials used for every part are thoroughly seasoned, and of the very best quality that can be procured. No part is slighted; what the public eye might pass over, never escapes our vigilance. Every part, inside and out, is honestly, faithfully and thoroughly made, so that it will bear the most minute examination. They differ from the loud, coarse tone of most pianos, (which is bad in the beginning, and grows worse every day,) in such a is refined and delicate, pure in its vibrations, delightful in its singing capacity, and has all the power necessary to produce every desired effect.

They are, without doubt, the best, the most lasting, and consequently the cheapest. We are content with a fair profit. Our prices range from $300 to $800.00.

OSBORN MANUFACTURING COMPANY,
109 Bleecker Street, N. Y

"OSBORN" BIRD AND ANIMAL CAGES.

Manufactured solely by this Company at Bridgeport, Conn. under Letters of Patent of the United States.

These Cages are of a great variety of styles and finish, and include

Canary, Parrot, Mocking Bird, Squirrel &c.

They are finished in a superior manner; no paint or any description—which is so fatal to birds and animals—being used in their construction. They are Vermin Proof. Bird Fanciers will appreciate these points of excellence, to be found in no other Cages. They received the highest premium at the American Institute and New York State Fairs of 1867.

Liberal discount to the Trade. Send for Circular and Price List. 4 mos.

NEW GOODS.

Spring and Summer -Opening!!
AT
J. A. Reynolds & Sons'
MIDDLETOWN.

HAVING replenished our Stock with a large and complete assortment of Spring and Summer Goods, we are now enabled to offer extra inducements to the people of Middletown and vicinity, as the following list of prices of some of our leading articles will show,

Calicoes at 10, 12½ and 14 cents per yard.
B'd Muslins 10 12½, 15, 20 and 25 " "
Unbleached do 10 12½ 14, 16 and 20 " "
5-4 Pillow Case do 25, 31, and 37½ " "
Am'r and Russian Crash, 12½, 15, and 18 " "
American Ginghams 12½, 15, and 20 " "
Tickings 25, 35, and 45 " "

DRESS GOODS.

American Lawns 20, 22, and 25 per yard.
Jaconet do 31, 37½, and 45 " "
Plaid and Fig. Cambrics 22, 25 and 31 " "
American Delains 20, 22 and 25 " "
All Wool do 37½, 45, and 50 " "
Black and Colored Alpacas 50 to 90 " "
Silk-Mixed & all Wool Poplins 75 to 1,25 " "

Coatings and Cassimeres.

A splendid stock of 6-4 Coatings and Cloakings, consisting of Tricots, Piques, Doe-Skins, &c., in Black and Fancy Colors, ranging in price from $1 50 to $6 00 per yard.

Fancy Cassimeres for Pants and Vest 90, $1 25, $1 50, $1 75 and $2 00 per yard.

NOTIONS, &c.

Spool Cotton 5, 8 and 10 cts per Spool.
Knitting do 62½, 75, and 87½ per Lb.
Linen Hdkfs' 10, 12½, 18, 25 and 35 cts each.

Ladies, Misses, and Children's White Cotton Hose a 12½, 15, 25, 37½ and 50 cents per pair.

Ladies and Misses Hoop Skirts a 50, 75, $1 00 $1 25, $1 50 each.

BOOTS AND SHOES.

Ladies' Lasting Gaiters a $1,25, $1,50, $2,00 and $2,50 per pair.

Misses' Lasting Gaiters a $1,00, $1,25, $1,50 and $1,75 per pair.

Gents' and Boys Lasting gaiters a $2,00, $2,50 $3,00 and $3,50 per pair.

Gents' Calf Boots $5,00 $5,50 and $6,00 per pair.

GROCERIES.

Brown and White Sugars at 12½, 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18 cents per lb.

Laguayra and Rio Coffees 25, 28, and 31 cts. per lb.

Green and Black Teas $1,00 $1,25 $1,50 and $2,00 per lb.

Brown and White Soaps at 6, 8 and 10 cents per lb.

Molasses at 50, 62½, 75 and 95 cts. per gallon.

☞ Please call and examine!
JOHN A. REYNOLDS & SONS.
April 25, 1868.

NAUDAIN & BROTHER
OF THE WELL KNOWN
CHEAP CORNER,

OFFER to the public a most desirable stock of Dry Goods, which they purchased before the advance, and will sell at a small profit, Wamasutta, Williamsville, and all leading makes of bleached and brown Muslins, 5-4, 9-4 and 10-4 Sheetings, and a fine Stock of Prints fast colors at 12½ cents. An attractive line of

Dress Goods,

Consisting of Alpacas, Poplins, Mohairs and Wool De Lains, and a nice stock of

WHITE GOODS.

We have a fine stock of Spring
CLOTHS, COATINGS,
and fancy CASSIMERES,
which we make a specialty.

Boots & Shoes, Selling Low,

Just receiving sewed and pegged BOOTS AND SHOES. Ladies and Misses Button and Congress Gaiters, from the manufacturers, all to be sold at small advance.

CARPETS, STRAW MATTINGS AND COCOA MATS.

A full line WALL PAPER, at city prices.

Mackerel, Herring and Shad, always on hand.

☞ ALL WE ASK IS A CALL, AND SHOW GOODS WITH GREAT PLEASURE.

NAUDAIN & BRO.
April 18—1y Middletown.

LEWIS' PURE WHITE LEAD,
IN 12½, 25, 50 AND 100 lb. KEGS.
Black Paint, Prussian Blue,
CHROME GREEN and YELLOW,
Burnt and Raw Umber,
BURNT AND RAW SIENNA,
Indian Red, Red Lead,
VEN. RED, SPANISH BROWN,
Yellow Ochre, Ohio Brown,
Dry and in Oil
IN 1 lb. TO 25 lb. CANS.
Putty, Linseed Oil, Turpentine,
JAPAN DRYING, COPAL VARNISH,
Glue, Gum Shellac,
LAMP BLACK, WINDOW GLASS,
besides a full assortment of
Paint Brushes and Sash Tools,
FOR SALE BY
J. A. REYNOLDS & SONS.
May 16, 1868—3m

HARNESS-MAKING.

THE undersigned having commenced Harness making at

ODESSA, DEL.

Is prepared to furnish every article in his line on the most reasonable terms.

His experience in city and country justifies his promise that

ALL HIS WORK WILL BE OF THE
BEST QUALITY.

And gives him confidence to solicit a share of the public patronage.

☞ His Shop is on Main street, in the house formerly occupied by Joseph Tawresy.
WM. T. GALLAHER.
April 25—tf.

LIVERY STABLE.

HORSES AND CARRIAGES for hire at the Stables of L. R. Davis' Middletown Hotel. The horses are safe, and careful drivers will be provided when desired. Terms moderate. Apply to THOS. MURRAY,
Jan. 4.—y. At the Stables.

FOR SALE.

I HAVE for Sale about 50,000 No. 1 OSAGE ORANGE Quicks. Apply to
R. R. COCHRAN.
April 11-tf

TRUSTEE'S SALE.

BY virtue of a Decree of the Circuit Court for Cecil county, in Chancery, passed in a cause Wherein James W. Veazey and others are Complainants, and Thomas W. Veazey and others are Defendants, the undersigned, as Trustee, will expose at Public Sale, at the Court House, in Elkton, on

Thursday, the 4th day of June 1868,

at 11 o'clock A. M. all the following mentioned

TRACTS OR PARCELS OF LAND,

forming part of the Real Estate of which Gov. Veazey died seized, and situated in Sassafras Neck, in said county, near the junction of the Elk and Bohemia Rivers.

No. 1, known as the

Mansion House Farm,

contains

300 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

On it is an APPLE ORCHARD, of about 4 Acres; a PEACH ORCHARD of about 35 Acres, in full bearing; and about 30 Acres of WOODLAND, of which a fair proportion is Chestnut. The remainder of the farm, with the exception of a few acres of marsh, is under cultivation.

No. 2, known as the DEEP VALLEY, contains

86¾ ACRES MORE OR LESS,

of which about 18 Acres are Clear, about 15 Acres are Marsh, and the remainder Woodland.

No. 3, known as the HILL FARM, contains

139½ ACRES, MORE OR LESS,

of which about one-half is Cleared Land, and the remainder, except some marsh, is Woodland—principally Pine

No. 4, known as the HOLT EARM, contains

130 ACRES, MORE OR LESS,

On it is a PEACH ORCHARD of about 18 Acres, in bearing, and about 20 Acres are in WOOD, with a fair proportion of Chestnut. The remainder of the Farm, except some marsh, is under cultivation. This Farm lies on the Bohemia River, and affords a fine opportunity for Fishing, Ducking, &c.

No. 5, known as the FISHERY FARM, lies on the Elk River, and contains

90 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

On it is a PEACH ORCHARD of about 15 Acres, in full bearing, and the remainder of the Farm is under cultivation. On this Farm is one of the best FISHERIES on Elk River.

THE BUILDINGS

on No. 1 are fair; and on Nos. 3, 4 and 5 are indifferent. No. 2 has no buildings. These Farms are under fair Fencing, lie in a very fine Peach-growing region, and are well adapted to the growth of Peaches as well as of Grain. Most of the soil is of good natural quality, and has been several times limed; and these Earms having one or more Landings upon them, afford rare opportunities for the landing of Lime, and shipping of Grain and other produce.

Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 form one contiguous tract, and No. 5 lies but a few hundred yards from the main tract. The undersigned intends to offer these Farms separately and as a whole, and to sell in whichever way, in his discretion, he deems advisable. A Plot, showing the lines of each Parcel, can be seen at the office of the undersigned before the day of sale.

TERMS OF SALE:

The Terms of Sale, prescribed by the Decree, are:—One-third of the purchase money to be paid in cash on the day of sale, and the remainder in two equal instalments, payable respectively in One and Two years from the day of sale. The credit payments to bear interest from the day of sale, and to be secured by the Bonds or Notes of the purchaser or purchasers, with a surety or sureties to be approved by the Trustee.

☞ Possession given January 1st. 1869 — Costs of Deeds, Stamps, &c. to be paid by purchaser.

JAMES BLACK GROOME,
TRUSTEE, Elkton, Md.
May 16, 1868—ts

SCOWDRICK & MOORE,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL
DRY GOODS AND
GROCERY DEALERS,

RESPECTFULLY announce to their friends and the public generally, that they have just received and are constantly receiving direct from the Importers and Jobbers a large and splendid stock of Spring and Summer Goods of the latest Styles and Patterns, consisting in part of

Fine French Cloths,
French and Doeskin Cassimers,
Ladies' Fine Cloaking Cloths.

DRESS GOODS,

OF EVERY VARIETY SUCH AS
MOHAIR'S, POPLINS, ALPACAS &c.
OF ALL COLORS.
BLEACHED AND UNBLEACHED MUSLINS
of the best standard make.

A LARGE STOCK OF
WHITE GOODS AND TRIMMINGS,
Hosiery, Gloves, Notions, &c.
HATS AND CAPS.
Groceries, Hardware, Queensware &c.

in fact everything usually kept in a first class Country Store; and at the very lowest prices the markets can afford.

We have also bought of Mr. D. McKee, his entire stock of

BOOTS AND SHOES,

OF HIS OWN MANUFACTURE,

which in connection with our General Stock will be offered at greatly reduced prices.

Thankful for your heretofore bounteous patronage, we hope by strict attention to business to share a continuance of the same.

On account of the Credit System being so thoroughly reduced among the Wholsale Dealers and Jobbers, our TERMS will be hereafter 6 months credit, or 5 per cent off for cash.

SCOWDRICK & MOORE.
May 2-y Middletown, Del

DR. MUSGROVE,
DENTIST,
ELKTON, MARYLAND,

OFFICE—Opposite the Presbyterian Church. Teeth Extracted without Pain by the use of NITROUS OXIDE GAS; or by the latest improvement —the SPRAY PRODUCER, formed by Rigoline or Ether.

This Narcotic Spray is used where sensitive teeth are to be excavated preparatory to filling. Also, for PAINLESS removal of the Dental Pulp, and for minor surgical operations.

ARTIFICIAL TEETH inserted, from one to a full set.

Persons from a distance desiring protracted operations will please notify by mail, or otherwise, thereby saving disappointment and loss of time.

Tooth Powder and Mouth Wash kept constantly on hand; also, Dr. J. D. White's Dentine.

THOMAS H. MUSGROVE, D. D. S.
Elkton, Md., January 18, 1868—1y

Delaware Rail Road Line.
Summer Arrangement.

ON and after SUNDAY, April 12th, 1868, Passenger Trains will run as follows, until further notice:

Train leaving Crisfield 2.45 A. M. will run every morning, except Monday. All other Trains Sundays excepted.

NORTH.

Leave Crisfield,	2 45 A. M.		7 30 A. M.
" Marion,			8 00
" Kingston,			8 20
" Westover,			8 45
" Prin. Anne,	3 30		9 20
" Eden			9 45
" Porktown			10 05
" Salisbury	4 05		10 30
" Delmar			10 45
" Laurel	4 30		11 05
" Seaford	4 45		11 30
" Bridgeville	5 00		11 50
" Greenwood			12 00 M.
" Farmington			12 15 P. M.
" Harrington	5 30	7 00 A. M.	12 35
" Felton		7 15	12 50
" Plymouth		7 20	1 00
" Canterbury		7 20	1 00
" Wil. Grove		7 25	1 05
" Camden		7 35	1 15
" Dover	6 05	7 50	1 30
" Moorton		8 05	1 45
" Brenford		8 10	1 55
" Smyrna		8 05	1 50
" Clayton	6 30	8 20	2 05
" Sassafras R'd		8 25	2 10
" Blackbird		8 35	2 20
" Townsend		8 40	2 30
" Middleto'n	7 05	9 00	2 45
" Mt Pleasant		9 10	2 55
" St Georges		9 25	3 10
" Bear		9 35	3 25
" New Castle	7 45	9 55	3 45
Arrive Wilm.	8 03 A. M.	10 15	4 05
" Philad'a	9 30 "	11 45 A. M.	5 40 P.M.
" Baltimore	1 15 P. M	1 15 P. M.	8 00 "

SOUTH.

Leave Philad'a	8 30 A. M.	3 30 P. M.	5 00 P. M.
" Baltimore	7 25	2 15	2 15
" Wilm	10 10	5 05	6 30
" New Castle	10 30	5 25	6 50
" Bear	10 50		7 15
" St Georges	11 00		7 30
" Mt Pleasant	11 15		7 40
" Middleto'n	11 35	6 15	8 00
" Townsend	11 45		8 10
" Blackbird	11 50		8 15
" Sassafras	12 00 M.		8 25
" Clayton	12 05 P. M.	6 40	8 30
Arrive Smyrna	12 15	6 50	8 40
Leave Brenford	12 10		8 35
" Moorton	12 20		8 45
" Dover	12 40	7 10	9 05
" Camden	12 50		9 15
" Wil. Grove	1 05		9 20
" Canterbury	1 10		9 30
" Plymouth	1 10		9 30
" Felton	1 20		9 35
" Harrington	1 40	7 55	9 50 P. M.
" Farmington	1 55		
" Greenwood	2 05		
" Bridgeville	2 15	8 20	
" Seaford	2 35	8 40	
" Laurel	2 55	8 55	
" Delmar	3 10		
" Salisbury	3 40	9 30	
" Forktown	4 00		
" Eden	4 15		
" Prin. Anne	4 50	10 00	
" Westover	5 10	10 10	
" Kingston	5 30		
" Marion	5 45		
Arrive Crisfield	6 05 P. M.	10 45 P. M.	

NEW CASTLE TRAINS.—Leave New Castle for Wilmington and Philadelphia at 12 05 P. M.—and on Mondays at 7 45 A. M. Leave Philadelphia 12 00 M. and Wilmington 1 15 P. M. for New Castle.

SMYRNA BRANCH TRAINS.—Additional to those above leave Smyrna for Clayton 11 45 A. M. 6. 15 and 8 10 P. M. Leave Clayton for Smyrna, 8 40 A. M. and 2.10 P. M. to make connection with trains to and from Dover, and Stations South. Also, train will leave Smyrna at 6. 15 A. M. Sundays and Mondays excepted, to connect with express, and return leaving Clayton at 6 45 A. M.

Trains leaving Crisfield at 2 45 A. M., and Wilmington going South at 5 05 P. M. will run in close connection with Steamboats to Norfolk and Portsmouth and Express Trains to and from Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York. They will stop on the Delaware Railroad Line only at principal stations at which their time is stated. Except that Steamboat Train South will let off passengers from Baltimore at any station to which they have tickets.

E. Q. SEWALL,
April 18. Superintendent Delaware R. R.

Whann's Super Phosphate,
RHODES' SUPER PHOSPHATE,
Moro Phillips' Super Phosphate.
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HEWES' SUPER PHOSPHATE,
COE'S SUPER PHOSPHATE,
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10,000 SALMON BRICKS,
10,000 Red Bricks,
20,000 Hard Bricks.
FOR SALE BY
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Middletown, Del.

SHERIFFALTY.

To the Democratic Voters of New Castle County

GENTLEMEN:—I again offer myself as a candidate for the nomination of Sheriff of New Castle county, pledging myself to give a hearty and undivided support to the successful nominee.

JAMES ARMSTRONG.
Newark, February 22, 1861—tn

To the Voters of the Democratic Party of New-Castle County.

GENTLEMEN:—Encouraged by many friends I am induced to offer myself as a candidate for the nomination of Sheriff for the county of New Castle, pledging myself to abide by the nomination of the Democratic party, and give my hearty support to the successful candidate.

JACOB RICHARDSON.
Wilmington, February 22, 1868—tn

W. M. KENNARD,
OF THE WELL KNOWN
DRY GOODS AND CARPET HOUSE,
306 Market Street, Wilmington,

offers to the buying public one of the most desirable assortment of

GOODS

ever displayed by this old established house. Buying for CASH, selling on the same terms,

Purchasing from first Hands,

AS WELL AS

Importing some Styles of Goods,

all combined, gives him many advantages not usual with retail stores.

A LARGE STOCK,
PLENTY OF LIGHT,
No Misrepresentation of Goods,
AND LOW PRICES

☞ are SOME of the inducements held forth to buyers.
January 4, 1868—6m

628 HOOP SKIRTS. 628

WILLIAM T. HOPKIN'S "own make" o "Keystone Skirts," are the best and cheapest Low Priced Hoop Skirts in the market. Trail Skirts, 25 springs, $1.00; 30 springs, $1.20; and 40 springs, $.45. Plain Skirts, 6 tapes, 20 springs, 80 cents; 25 springs, 95 cents; 30 springs, $1.15; and 35 springs, $1.25. *Warranted in every respect.*

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To be had at Retail at Manufactory, and of the Retail Trade generally, and at Wholesale of the Manufacturer only, to whom all orders should be addressed. Manufactory and Salesroom, 628 ARCH STREET, between 6th and 7th streets, Philadelphia. WM. T. HOPKINS.
March 14—4m

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

I hereby give notice that I will attend, for the purpose of settling with the SCHOOL COMMITTEES of the respective counties as follows:

At Georgetown, Sussex county, on the 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, and 17th days of April.

At Dover, Kent County, on the 27th, 28th, 29th and 30th days of April.

At New Castle, New Castle county, on the 11th, 12th, 13th, and 14th days of May.

To avoid confusion and the detention of Committees over one day, settlements will be made with the districts in the following order:

FOR SUSSEX COUNTY.—April 13th, Nos. 1 to 30, inclusive; April 14th, 31 to 60, inclusive; April 15th, Nos. 61 to 90, inclusive; April 16th, Nos. 91 to 120, inclusive; April 17th, Nos. 121 and upwards.

FOR KENT COUNTY.—April 27th, Nos. 1 to 30, inclusive; April 28th, Nos. 31 to 60, inclusive; April 29th, Nos. 60 to 90 inclusive; April 30th, Nos. 91 and upwards.

FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY.—May 11th, Nos. 1 to 30, inclusive; May 12th, Nos. 31 to 60, inclusive; May 13th, Nos. 61 to 90, inclusive.

ROBERT LAMBDEN,
April 4-tf Auditor of Accounts.

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Graduate of the Pennsylvania College of DENTAL SURGERY,

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January 4, 1868—1y

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Combined Mower & Reaper,
THE VERY BEST IN THE WORLD.

THE ECONOMY
Wood Tooth Self-Delivering Hay and Grain Rake.

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ORDERS are being received for the above new and superior machinery, and a limited number only can be supplied this season. Send your orders at once. Call and examine them.

☞ Agents for Economy Rake wanted, to whom a liberal commission will be allowed.
March 7—tf

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Orders for roofing promptly attended to.
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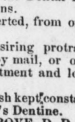
April 4-3m

GEORGE M. PATCHEN.



This thorough bred trotting Horse will stand for Mares the ensuing season. Insurance, one mare, $30, two mares $28 each, three mares $26 each, four or more mares $25 each.

JAMES T. SHALLCROSS.
March 14—3m

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RAW MANURE
SO PERMANENT AS
RAW BONES,
FROM WHICH IS MADE
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RAW BONE Super-Phosphate.

Warranted Perfectly Pure and Free from Adulteration.

Established as an excellent Fertilizer by years of constant use, and highly recommended by all who have used it as

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Feb 15—1y Middletown, Del.

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PATENT CORN DROPPER.

THIS Dropper will positively save one-half the time over the old way of dropping corn.

It will drop right in the cross.

It can be set to average any numbe. of grains desired to a hill.

It can be regulated to scatter the corn more or less in the hill, or drop it all in a close bunch if desired. In windy weather this Dropper is just the thing needed, as the corn cannot be blown about while dropping.

All who have used these Droppers agree in the opinion that the corn comes up more regularly after them, and there is less re-planting to do, because they drop a more regular number of grains to a hill, and every grain is sure to be in the cross, where they are covered alike.

Every Dropper will be warranted to do all that is herein claimed for them, or they will be taken back and the money refunded.

Price $2,25.

☞ Please read the following certificates from some of the most eminent farmers of Delaware:

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This is to certify that I have used for several years McConaughey's Patent Corn Dropper, and I am convinced every farmer would find it greatly to his interest to own one. B. T. BIGGS.

MIDDLETOWN, *March* 15, 1866.

THOMAS B. MCCONAUGHEY:—After three years' experience in dropping our corn with your Patent Corn Dropper, we have found their use to be a great saving to us over the old way of dropping, with better satisfaction in the manner in which they do their work, and we think we have had less re-planting to do since we have been using them. R. A. Cochran, Jr., J. F. Wilson, B. F. Hanson, R. R. Cochran, William Wilson, W. A. Cochran, W. Green.

This is to certify that we, the undersigned, having used Thomas B. McConaughey's Patent Corn Droppers, have found them, after trial, to be a valuable and labor-saving invention. We think farmers will find it to their interest to use them. Wm. Reybold, Wm. Knotts, C. Tatman, Jr. J. A. Reynolds, Jr. W. Flinthane, Merit Hubbell, James Kanely, Jr. Jos. T. Griffith, B. Gibbs, N. T. Sevil, J. R. Hoffecker, R. T. Cochran, J. W. Crawford, J. J. Lockwood, Thos. S. Merrett, S. W. Stewart, T. Carlisle, George G. Kerr, R. D. Melvin, J. Stewart, George Derrickson, W. R. Lockwood, Wm. D. Cornog, T. B. Nivine, Wm. N. Wilson, O. Crow, Samuel Rambo, T. Murphy, Calvin Jones, John C. Spear, Wm. S. Mote, C. P. Cochran, B. F. Kanely, Joseph Griffith.

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COMPLETE MANURE,
MANUFACTURED BY
HENRY BOWER, Philadelphia,
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WARRANTED free from adulteration. Packed in bags of 200 lbs. each. Price $56 per ton 2,000 lbs. Liberal discount to dealers. It has raised good crops of Wheat, Corn, Oats, Potatoes, Cotton, Grass, Tobacco and Vegetables of all kinds. Farmers would do well to inquire of their nearest dealer in fertilizers as to the results obtained from the use of Complete Manure. The growing crops of Wheat, at this time, freely attest its virtues.

We have numerous testimonials to the effect that it is an invaluable Fertilizer, and we recommend it highly as a top dressing for Wheat and Grass.

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Also, by JOHN A. REYNOLDS & SONS,
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DR. T. J. KINDLEBERGER'S latest improved patent.

Double Centre-Vent Buckeye
TURBINE
WATER WHEEL,

Patented November 4th, 1862, and July 11th, 1865. WM. H. SPRATT, Millwright,
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April 11, 1868—1y GENERAL AGENT

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All Machines Warranted to give entire satisfaction, or may be returned after a reasonable time for trial. Repairs constantly on hand.

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April, 11-3m

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To the Democratic Voters of New Castle County:

GENTLEMEN:—At the request of many friends I offer myself as a candidate for the nomination of Sheriff of New Castle County. Pledging myself to give a hearty and an undivided support to the successful Nominee.

EDMUND B. FRAZER.
Wilmington, February 17, 1868—tn

The HOWE Sewing Machines
MANUFACTURED BY
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—ELIAS HOWE, JR.,—
FOR FAMILIES AND MANUFACTURERS.

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Select Poetry.

From the Georgetown Courier.

SPRING TIME.

BY REV. JOHN COLLINS M'CABE, D. D.

"Again, again—Spring's come again."

There's dew on the leaf, and bright stars in the sky,
And the winds woo the fair and budding flowers;
The May-moon looks down with a half-dreamy eye,
On this beautiful green earth of ours.
The music of waves gently falls on the ear,
And the night-bird hymns softly his strain;
'Tis his wild serenade to his mistress so dear,
And sweet echo repeats it *again*.

'Tis morn;—and the breeze down the valley is heard,
As it wanders the flowers among;
Each bud's seems alive, as bird answers to bird,
In gushes of beautiful song.
The forest looks glad, as the tall, nodding trees,
Like an army of Robin Hood's men
In Lincoln-green coats, wave their arms in the breeze,
And whisper, "Sweet Spring's come *again*!"

It *has* come!—In the sky its bright smile may be seen;
It has come! On the flower-gemmed hill
Its footsteps are heard; and its voice, I ween,
Murmurs on in the musical rill.
It has come! O'er the earth waves its glorious wing,—
And THY RAIN, Gracious Father! we praise,
That the beauty, the brightness, the gladness of Spring
Are rich blessings to gladden our days.

But, sweet Spring-time will pass—the Summer's hot breath
Will dry up the rivalet brief;
And Autumn will follow, the herald of death
To green sward, and flower and leaf.
And dirge-chanting Winter above them shall moan,
And enwrap them in shrouds cold and white;
And the weird-winds, like Monks, in a low monotone
Utter sad *miserere*s by night.

But their sleep shall be broken! Bright Spring shall again
Gently breathe o'er the slumberers' dream;
She shall bid them "arise!" from the hill-top and plain,
And laugh out in the song of the stream.
So the righteous may slumber; God watches their dust!
O'er their cold graves the thunders may break,
Yet their sleep is the sleep of the holy and just,
And they, too, shall in beauty awake!

Middletown, Delaware, May, 1868.

SPRING.

Spring is coming! It uncloses
Tiny leaves on all the roses!
Snowdrop, hyacinth, and crocus
An inquiring eye can focus!
Nature says that Spring is coming,
And the bees will soon be humming!

Spring is coming! By degrees
Rise the rows of early peas!
Spring is coming, sure and steady—
Slugs and snails have come already!
Nature says that Spring's approaching,
On the Winter's steps encroaching!

Spring is coming! Elm and chesnut—
Horse—of course, and not the bes'nut—
Put forth buds; and larches slender
Wear a green that's fresh and tender!
Nature says that Spring is nearing,
Soon the cuckoo you'll be hearing!

Spring is coming! From their sleeping
Beds the tulips now are peeping!
Birds are singing, blithely winging,
'Mid the swinging branches clinging!
Nature says that Spring is near us—
That's a prospect which should cheer us!

Spring is coming! But her pleasing
Promises may end in freezing!
All the buds and blooms are lost,
May or April bringing frost!
Nature cries that Spring is coming,
But experience says she's humming.

Farmers in Prussia.

M Emile de Laveleye has just contributed an article to the Revue des Deux Mondes, in which an interesting account is given of the progress made by Prussia during fifty years of peace. Writing on agriculture, he points out that nearly all the land owners cultivate their own estates; except for detached portions, renting is the exception. They are, therefore, retained in the country by the care of their own interests, for nothing more imperiously requires the eye of a master than rural industry. It is true they are aided by a class of employees who are not found in any other country. They are educated young men belonging to families in a good position often just leaving an agricultural college, who remain for a certain time on some large estate to initiate themselves in the practical direction of one of their own. This novitiate is an ancient custom still preserved in many trades. Thus frequently, the son of a rich hotel-keeper will not hesitate to enter another hotel as butler or waiter (*Kellner*) to be initiated into all the details of the service over which he will one day have to preside. When any one visits the farms (*Ruttergutter*) he is astonished to see as superintendents the son of a banker, a baron, or a rich landowner. These young people drive a cart or guide the plow. At noon they return, groom their horses, and then go dress themselves and dine at the owner's table, to wh omthey are not inferior, either in instruction, birth or manners. After the meal they resume their working dress and return, without any false shame, to their rustic occupation. Thus we find in feudal Prussia a trait of manners suited to the democratic society of the United States, and which hereafter will become general. In France, in England especially, a young man of the upper class would believe his dignity compromised in performing the work of a farm laborer.

The Soul.—After all, let a man take what pains he may to hush it down, a human soul is an awful, ghostly, unquiet possession for a bad man to have. Who knows the motes and bounds of it? Who knows all its awful perhapses, those shudderings and tromblings, which it can no more live down than it can outlive its own eternity! What a fool is he who locks his door to keep out spirits, who has in his own bosom a spirit he dare not meet alone, whose voice, smothered far down, and piled over with mountains of earthliness, is yet like the forwarning trumpet of doom.

The rich depend on the poor, as well as the poor on the rich. The world is but a magnificent building; all the stone gradually cement together. There is no one subsists by himself alone.

To give brilliancy to the eyes—shut them early at night, and open them early in the morning.

He who assumes airs of importance exhibits his credentials of insignificance.

Dr. J. E. REGISTER,
DENTIST,
ELKTON, MD.
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February 8, 1868—tf

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We cannot enumerate even leading departments, owing to the extent of our business, but have a full assortment of various lines in
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WHITE GOODS,
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FLANNELS, &c. &c. &c.
Our long experience, combined with our intimate and extensive acquaintance with the largest and best Importing and Domestic Houses of this country give us, we believe, advantages shared by no other house to the same extent in Delaware, and we wish distinctly to state that we are prepared to sell *always as low or lower than Philadelphia Merchants.*
THE MOTTO OF THE HOUSE
CHEAP, PROMPT AND RELIABLE.
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WATCHES Carefully Repaired, and Jewelry of all descriptions neatly mended, with care and dispatch.
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March 14—3m

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Jan. 4—y.

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SCHOOL BOOKS and Miscellaneous Works, Bibles, Prayer Books and Hymn Books, BLANK BOOKS, in various styles of binding. Tuck, Memorandum and Pass Books.
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CHESS & CHECKER MEN,
GAMES OF ALL KINDS.
Rubber Pencils and Penholders, Writing Fluid Ink Stands, Pocket Cutlery, Rogers' Scissors, Sleeve Buttons, Studs, Breast Pins, Finger Rings Spectacles, Violin Strings, Combs, Brushes, Nail and Tooth Brushes, Gum Bands, Watch Keys, Key Rings, and Puff Boxes.
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January 25—1y

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January 4, 1868—6m

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7. Acts of the Apostles, the Apocryphal Acts and the fourteen Epistles of Paul. The Catholic and the Apocryphal Epistles. Revelation of St. John, and the Apocryphal Revelations.
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